

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to RCE filed on 3/13/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-3,5,8-12,15-25,27-31 and 33-35 renumbered to 1-28 respectively.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____. |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

DETAILED ACTION

Claims 1-3, 5, 8-12, 15-25, 27-31, 33-35 are pending.

Claims 4, 6, 7, 13, 14, 26, 32 and 36 are cancelled by the applicant.

Claims 1-3, 5, 8-12, 15-25, 27-31, 33-35 are allowed.

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Mr. Jim Henry on April 4th 2006 at 3:00 p.m.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1 line 7, "remapping the first GID with a second tunnel label;" has been changed to --remapping the first GID with a second tunnel label when a failure occurs that necessitates changing the first tunnel label;--

In claim 5 line 15, "tunnel label to update the GID table and reflect the new common-tunnel label." has been changed to --tunnel label to update the GID table and reflect the new common-tunnel label when a failure occurs that necessitates changing the first tunnel label.--

In claim 12 line 12, "tunnel label to update the GID table and reflect the new common-tunnel label." has been changed to --tunnel label to update the GID table and reflect the new common-tunnel label when a failure occurs that necessitates changing the first tunnel label.--

In claim 20 line 9, "tunnel label to update the GID table and reflect the new common-tunnel label." has been changed to --tunnel label to update the GID table and reflect the new common-tunnel label when a failure occurs that necessitates changing the first tunnel label.--

In claim 24 line 16, "label." has been changed to --label when a failure occurs that necessitates changing the first tunnel label.--

In claim 29 line 4, "remap the first GID with a second tunnel label," has been changed to --remap the first GID with a second tunnel label when a failure occurs that necessitates changing the first tunnel label,--

In claim 33 line 4, "remap the first GID with a second tunnel label," has been changed to --remap the first GID with a second tunnel label when a failure occurs that necessitates changing the first tunnel label,--

Allowable Subject Matter

2. Claims 1-3, 5, 8-12, 15-25, 27-31, 33-35 are allowed.

Conclusion

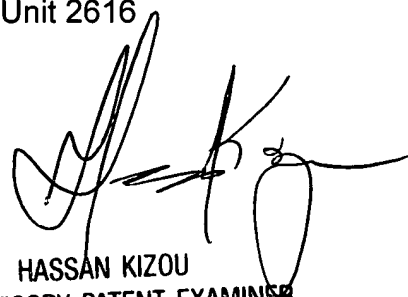
3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Salman Ahmed whose telephone number is (571)272-8307. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30 am - 5:00 pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Hassan Kizou can be reached on (571) 272-3088. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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